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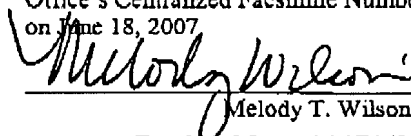
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office action dated February 20, 2007 in the patent application identified above, please enter the following amendments and reconsider the application in view of the appended remarks. A request for a one-month extension of time accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.